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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, Development Projects Division
SUBJECT: A-1 and A-2 Cameras and Associated Hatches
REFERENCE: Memorandum to AC/DPD from DPD/C/MS;
Subject: Comments on WRSP IV Commander's
Report - April 1961; dated 13 June 1961 (IDEA
0346)

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for the approval of the Acting Chief, DPD. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 5.

2. There is at present one requirement for several points in China which can best be done with the A-1 configuration. The targets are

While it is unlikely at the present time that an A-1 mission would be justified, it is also probable that the future can only increase the importance of these targets. For this reason it would be politic to keep a minimum A-1 capability available on short notice.

3. A-2 camera configurations may prove useful as backup for the B configuration if there is ever a period of intense and repeated activity. However, I do not believe this justifies keeping any A-2 configurations in constant readiness at the Edwards Detachment. Depot storage available on short notice would be a satisfactory arrangement.

4. Two cameras of each type with the appropriate hatch are considered the minimum equipment required to insure a capability. Ten days to two weeks advance notice should precede any probable use of these configurations which would be adequate lead time.

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5. It is recommended that two A-1 and two A-2 configurations with one F-15I and one F-240 batches be placed in depot storage. A-1 and A-2 configurations in excess of this should be deleted from the Edwards' inventory.

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CONCUR:

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The recommendation contained in paragraph 5. is approved:

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Provided para 5 - Hold cameras
in dep't. may be used in ASB.

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